

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 297

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Ashley Morgan Heatherly upon her recent selection as 2013 Smoky Mountain Youth of the Year and as 2013 3rd Runner-up Tennessee Youth of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Ashley Morgan Heatherly, who was recently named the 2013 Smoky Mountain Youth of the Year and the 2013 3rd Runner-up Tennessee Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a student at Seymour High School, Ms. Heatherly has graciously dedicated her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as a member of Mission Eagle, Beta Club, International Club, Academic Decathlon, and Y-Teens; she has served as a 4-H instructor; and she has served as Keystone President and Jr. Staff President; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ashley Heatherly earned first place in interview, first place in team super quiz, and fourth place in speech at the Academic Decathlon, and she was named the 2013 Seymour Youth of the Year, the 2012 Seymour Youth of the Year, and the 2012 Smoky Mountain Runner-up Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Heatherly's display of aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Heatherly is the daughter of April Heatherly and the late Michael Heatherly; granddaughter of Larry and Linda Heatherly and Judy Evans; and sister of Kaleb

Heatherly and Makenna Heatherly; her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family and her community; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ashley Heatherly, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Ashley Morgan Heatherly upon her recent selection as 2013 Smoky Mountain Youth of the Year and as 2013 3rd Runner-up Tennessee Youth of the Year, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.